



ANNUAL STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

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February 1, 2016

LET'S TALK ABOUT *HOW*

- **How the Council Works**
- **How the City Looks**
- **How the City Builds**
- **How we Prioritize Safety**
- **How we Keep Moving Forward**



HOW THE COUNCIL WORKS

Listening

As a Team

Efficiently



HOW THE CITY LOOKS

Thank you to:

- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
- Cultural Arts Board
- Citizens for A Beautiful Bellaire
- Volunteer trash pick up
 - *Next event: February 20th – 1PM to 3PM*



HOW THE CITY LOOKS

Parks Improvements

- Evergreen
- Ware Family Park
- Joe Gaither
- Russ Pitman
- Lafayette
- Mulberry
- Aquatic Center



EVERGREEN PARK



WARE FAMILY PARK



JOE GAITHER PARK



RUSS PITMAN PARK



LAFAYETTE PARK



MULBERRY PARK



AQUATIC CENTER



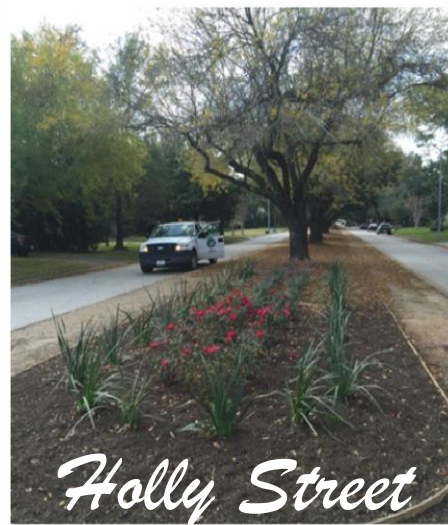
HOW THE CITY LOOKS

Right of Way Maintenance Upgrades



HOW THE CITY LOOKS

Banners



Holly Street



HOW THE CITY BUILDS

- **Rebuild Bellaire 2015 Progress**
 - 6 blocks complete (another 11 blocks in progress)
 - Phase 5B contract awarded; end of 2005 RBB bond authorization
- **Pavement Management Program**
 - 19 blocks complete
 - Significant increase in FY16 budget
- **Sidewalk Repairs**
 - 75 blocks complete



HOW THE CITY BUILDS

- **Water Line Replacement**
 - 3 blocks complete (1 block in progress)
- **Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades**
 - New fine drum assembly installation complete
- **Library Foundation Improvements Complete**



HOW THE CITY BUILDS

- Evelyn's Park
- Municipal Facilities Project



HOW WE PRIORITIZE SAFETY

- **Community Meetings**
- **Construction Meetings/Progress Updates**
- **On-Line tools and community programs**
- **610/59**



HOW WE PRIORITIZE SAFETY

- **Family Safety Day**
 - 2016 date: April 23
- **Mobility, ROW and drainage studies**
- **Open Carry Training**
- **Bellaire as a premier employer**



HOW WE PRIORITIZE SAFETY

Bellaire Police Vacancies (by Quarter)

- 12/31/14 6
- 3/31/15 4
- 6/30/15 8
- 9/30/15 7
- 12/31/15 5
- **Today: 2 (both sworn positions)**

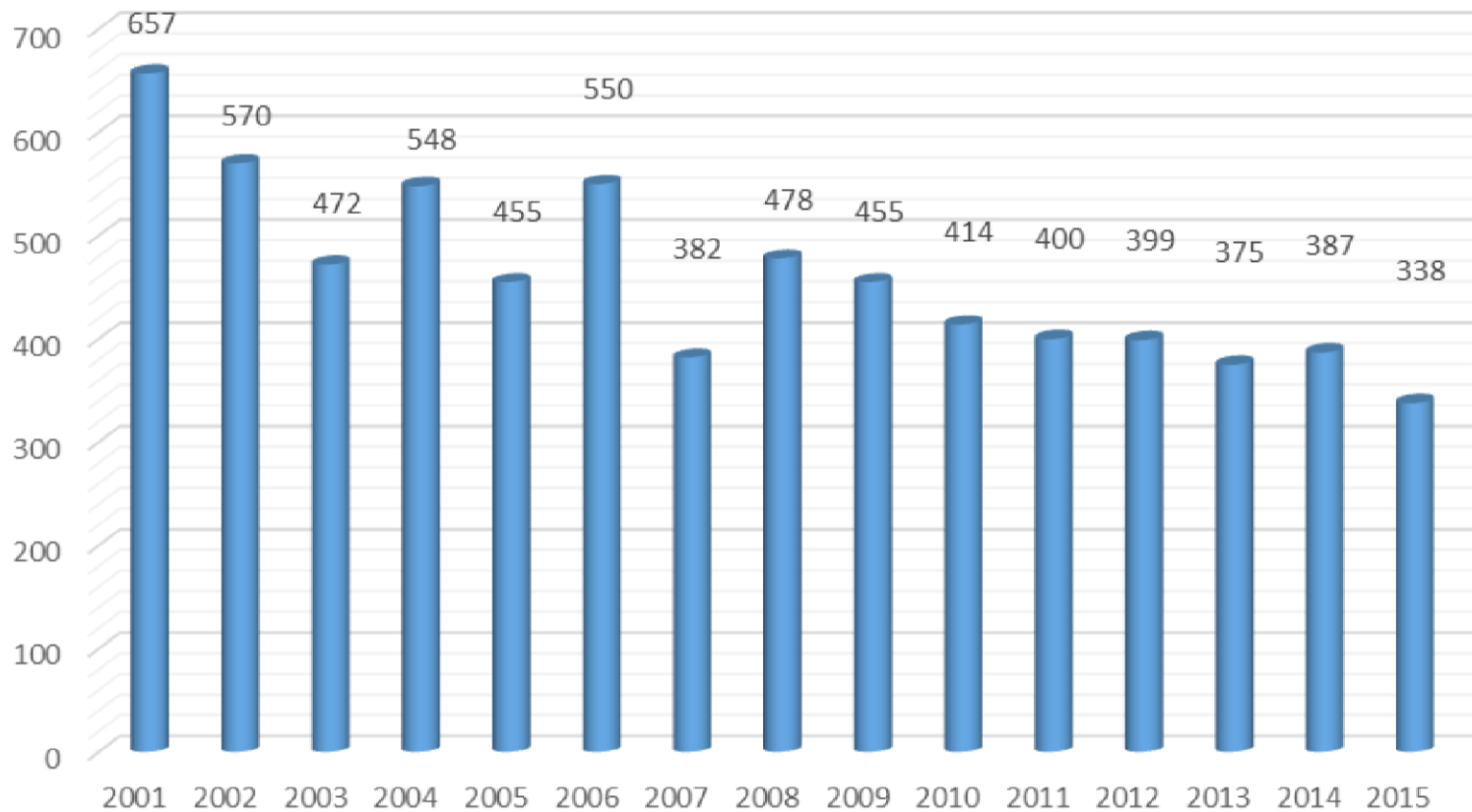


HOW WE PRIORITIZE SAFETY

- **We pay attention to data and trends, but**
- **we don't get lost in the numbers.**



REPORTED CRIME INDEX 2001-2015



HOW WE KEEP MOVING FORWARD

- Citizen and stakeholder engagement
- Involvement of Boards and Commissions
- Comprehensive Plan implementation



HOW WE KEEP MOVING FORWARD

- **Strong financial management**
- **Capital planning/Fiscal Forecast**
- **Positive engagement with other entities**



HOW WE KEEP MOVING FORWARD

- **Strategic Planning**

- Understanding our environment
- Providing financial sustainability
- Funding infrastructure needs
- Ensuring consistency and predictability in basic City operations



HOW WE KEEP MOVING FORWARD

- **Strategic Considerations**

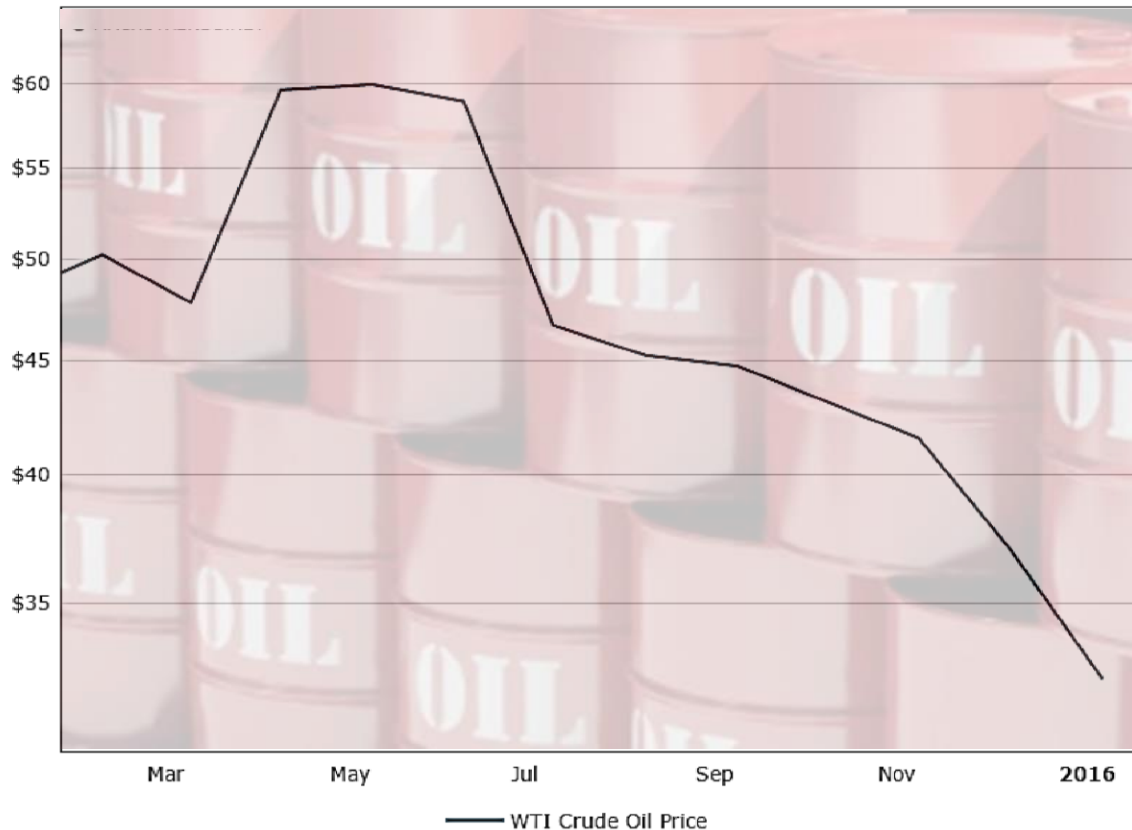
- Declining pace of residential redevelopment

- *Permits in '14: 125*
- *Permits in '15: 98*

- **Regional Economic Conditions**



HOW WE KEEP MOVING FORWARD



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- **Long-term needs**
 - \$304MM in street and drainage needs
 - \$11MM in water line replacement needs
- **Preserving our AAA bond rating**



HOW WE KEEP MOVING FORWARD

Strategic Planning Model



Thank you

- **The State of the City is Strong.**
- **We're doing well across-the-board.**
- **Planning for the long-term.**
- **Please stay engaged and give us your input.**

